

Amendments to the Specification:

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DESCRIPTION

*Please amend the title to read as:*

METHOD FOR PRODUCING 3-HYDROXYPROPIONALDEHYDE

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CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/JP2005/014213, filed on September 29, 2004, which claims the benefit of Japanese Patent Application Serial No. 2003-337663, filed on September 29, 2003. The contents of both of the foregoing applications are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.